JUN 2 9 700K

JW

**PATENT** 

### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

## In re Application of:

Fereira et al.

Serial No.: 10/815,169

Filed: March 31, 2004

**For:** OSMOTIC DELIVERY SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DECREASING START-UP TIMES FOR OSMOTIC

**DELIVERY SYSTEMS** 

Confirmation No.: 7505

Examiner: Unknown

**Group Art Unit: 3763** 

Attorney Docket No.: 3139-6350.1US

(ALZ5017/3262)

#### CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence along with any attachments referred to or identified as being attached or enclosed is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail on the date of deposit shown below with sufficient postage and in an envelope addressed to the Mail Stop Amendment. Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

June 26, 2006

\_ ... \_

Emilly Stevens
Name (Type/Print)

#### SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In compliance with the duty to disclose information material to patentability pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on attached Form PTO/SB/08 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Copies of any cited foreign patents, publications, or pending unpublished U.S. applications are enclosed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2).

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g) and (h), filing of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made or an admission that the information cited herein is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b). Further, no representation is made by Applicants herein that no other possible material information as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 (b) exists.

| U.S. | Patent | Documents |
|------|--------|-----------|
|      |        |           |

| Publication Date | <u>Patentee</u>  |
|------------------|--|
| 10/17/1989       | Wong et al.  |
| 11/29/1994       | Bettinger  |
| 02/03/1998       | Howard, III et al.   |
| 06/19/2001       | Gambale et al.   |
| 08/20/2002       | Harper et al.  |
| 09/10/2002       | Gambale et al.   |
| 10/22/2002       | Brodbeck et al.  |
| 06/12/2003       | Berry et al.   |
| 01/01/2004       | Chen et al.  |
| 02/05/2004       | Chen et al.  |
| 08/05/2004       | Chen et al.  |
| 11/11/2004       | Berry et al.   |
|                  | 10/17/1989<br>11/29/1994<br>02/03/1998<br>06/19/2001<br>08/20/2002<br>09/10/2002<br>10/22/2002<br>06/12/2003<br>01/01/2004<br>02/05/2004 |

## Foreign Patent Documents

| Document No. | Publication Date | <u>Patentee</u>           |
|--------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| WO 04/052336 | 06/24/2004       | <b>Durect Corporation</b> |

Applicants offer to supply any explanation or discussion of the documents which the Examiner feels is necessary or desirable and which is requested.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. Therefore, no fee is due.

Respectfully submitted,

Edgar R. Cataxinos Registration No. 39,931 Attorney for Applicants

TRASKBRITT P.O. Box 2550

Salt Lake City, Utah 84110-2550

Telephone: 801-532-1922

Date: June 26, 2006

ERC/dn:es

Enclosures: Form PTO/SB/08 (1 page)

Copies of any cited Non-U.S. Patent Documents (1 document)

Document in ProLaw

PTO/SB/08A (10-01)

Approved for use through 10/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO

Sheet

# INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(use as many sheets as necessary)

|                        | Complete if Known | ) |  |
|------------------------|-------------------|---|--|
| Application Number     | 10/815,169        |   |  |
| Filing Date            | March 31, 2004    |   |  |
| First Named Inventor   | Fereira et al.    |   |  |
| Group Art Unit         | 3763              |   |  |
| Examiner Name          | Unknown           |   |  |
| Attorney Docket Number | 3139-6350.1US     |   |  |

| Examiner<br>Initials * | Cite<br>No. <sup>1</sup> | Document Number  Number - Kind Code <sup>2</sup> (if known) | Publication Date<br>MM-DD-YYYY | Name of Patentee or Applicant of<br>Cited Document | Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear |
|------------------------|--------------------------|---|--------------------------------|--|---|
|                        | <b>†</b>                 | US-4,874,388  | 10/17/1989                     | Wong et al.  | rigares Appear  |
|                        | † · · · · ·              | US- 5,368,588   | 11/29/1994                     | Bettinger  |   |
|                        | 1                        | US- 5,713,847   | 02/03/1998                     | Howard, III et al.                                 |   |
|                        | 1                        | US- 6,248,112   | 06/19/2001                     | Gambale et al.                                     | -   |
|                        |                          | US- 6,436,091   | 08/20/2002                     | Harper et al.                                      |   |
|                        |                          | US- 6,447,522   | 09/10/2002                     | Gambale et al.                                     |   |
|                        |                          | US- 6,468,961   | 10/22/2002                     | Brodbeck et al.                                    |   |
|                        |                          | US- 2003/0108609  | 06/12/2003                     | Berry et al.                                       |   |
|                        |                          | US- 2004/0001889  | 01/01/2004                     | Chen et al.  |   |
|                        |                          | US- 2004/0024069  | 02/05/2004                     | Chen et al.  | ·   |
|                        |                          | US- 2004/0151753  | 08/05/2004                     | Chen et al.  |   |
|                        |                          | US- 2004/0224903  | 11/11/2004                     | Berry et al.                                       |   |
| •                      |                          | US-   |                                |  |   |
|                        |                          | US-   |                                |  | <del></del>   |

|                                | FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS  |                                |   |   |                |  |
|--------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|---|---|----------------|--|
| Examiner Cite<br>Initials* No. | Foreign Patent Document   |                                | Name of Patentee or<br>Applicant of Cited<br>Document | Pages, Columns, Lines,<br>Where Relevant Passages or<br>Relevant Figures Appear |                |  |
|                                | Country Code <sup>3</sup> - Number <sup>4</sup> - Kind Code <sup>5</sup> (if known) | Publication Date<br>MM-DD-YYYY |   |   | T <sup>6</sup> |  |
|                                |   | WO 04/052336 A2                | 06/24/2004  | Durect Corporation  |                |  |
|                                |   |                                |   |   |                |  |
|                                |   |                                |   |   |                |  |
|                                |   |                                |   |   |                |  |
|                                |   |                                |   |   |                |  |
|                                |   |                                |   |   |                |  |
|                                |   |                                |   |   |                |  |
|                                |   |                                |   |   |                |  |
|                                |   |                                |   |   |                |  |

| Examiner<br>Signature | Date<br>Considered |  |
|-----------------------|--------------------|--|

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). <sup>2</sup> See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at <u>www.uspto.gov</u> or MPEP 901.04. that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). 4 For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. Skind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. <sup>6</sup> Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.